

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF OCTOBER 23, 1939

The Board of Public Works met in the office of the Governor, State House, Annapolis, Maryland, on Monday, October 23, 1939.

Present:

Herbert R. O'Connor, Governor
J. Millard Tawes, Comptroller
Hooper S. Miles, Treasurer

Mr. Walter N. Kirkman, Director of the Department of Budget and Procurement attended the meeting.

STATE ROADS COMMISSION - Budget Amendments for 1940 and 1941:

Major Ezra B. Whitman, Chairman of the State Roads Commission, and Mr. William A. Codd, Chief Auditor of the State Roads Commission, appeared before the Board and submitted amendments to the budget of the State Roads Commission for the fiscal years 1940 and 1941. The amendments were carefully reviewed by the Board, and explained at length by Major Whitman and Mr. Codd.

Mr. Tawes, Mr. Miles and Mr. Kirkman stated that while the approval of the amendments was up to the Governor, under the law, it was felt that the amendments were in order and that they were willing to recommend approval.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND - State Department of Forestry, and State Geological and Economic Survey, and State Weather Service:

Mr. Miles called attention to the newspaper articles which have appeared recently in connection with the transfer of the State Department of Forestry, the State Geological and Economic Survey, and the State Weather Service to College Park, Maryland, to be under the control of the University of Maryland, and the changes in the personnel and the budgets of those departments which were contemplated because of the transfer.

After a discussion, it was decided that the Attorney General should be requested to advise the Board as to any responsibility it might have in connection with the moving of the departments from their present locations to the University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, because of the authority the Board has, under the law, to designate the location of any State agency.

It was also mentioned, by Mr. Kirkman, that he had not received from the University the revised budget for the fiscal year, which would show any changes proposed in the budgets for the State Department of Forestry and the State Geological and Economic Survey, for the fiscal years 1940 and 1941, and that until the budget of the University was received it would be impossible to pass upon any salary changes in the budgets of the departments the University was proposing to move to College Park.

PROBATION DEPARTMENT - Supreme Bench of Baltimore City:

The Comptroller called attention to the fact that no provision was made in the Budget for the fiscal years 1940 and 1941 for the Probation Department of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City. It has been customary, for the past several years, to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00, annually, for the work of the Probation Department, but in preparing the Budget passed by the General Assembly of 1939, thru an oversight, the usual appropriations for the Department for the fiscal years 1940 and 1941 were not included. The Comptroller suggested that, if it were agreeable to the Board, he would be willing

to authorize the Clerk of the Criminal Court of Baltimore City to make available to the Probation Department, out of the fees of his office, the sum of \$1,500.00, so that the work which has been carried on by the Department, at the instance of the State, in the past, can be continued in the fiscal years 1940 and 1941.

The Board approved the suggestion of the Comptroller and requested him to give the necessary authorization to the Clerk of the Criminal Court of Baltimore City, to arrange for the payment of the work.

ST. MARY'S FEMALE SEMINARY - Architect, new gymnasium building:

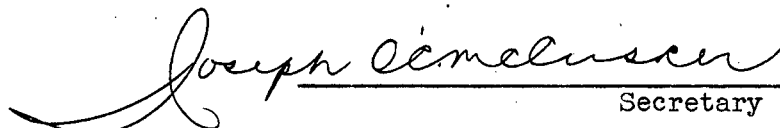
The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a communication received from the Board of Trustees of the St. Mary's Female Seminary, St. Mary's City, Maryland, in which the Board was advised that the Trustees and the Alumnae Association of that institution have agreed to recommend Mr. Bernard Evander as architect for the preparation of plans and specifications and the supervision of the construction of the new gymnasium building to be erected for the Seminary.

The Board approved the recommendation of the Trustees and the Alumnae Association.

COMMISSIONER OF LABOR AND STATISTICS - location of offices:

The Board took up the question of location of the offices of the Commissioner of Labor and Statistics, and after a discussion of this matter the Board approved Mr. Kirkman's recommendation that space be leased in the Wonder Building, 120 West Redwood Street, Baltimore. Mr. Kirkman was authorized to proceed with the preparation of the lease and to advise the Commission of Labor and Statistics accordingly.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Secretary